



FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS AS REPORTED BY CORRESPONDENTS

WHITE OAK.

Miss Florence Patrick is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. C. Grier, in Columbia.

Mr. John C. Wilson, Jr., met with a serious accident Monday while visiting his parents. His leg was broken by being kicked by a horse.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Whitworth have been visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hedgepath.

Mr. Earl Wilson is visiting his brother, Mr. Leonard Wilson, of Winnsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Patrick entertained at a delightful dinner party Tuesday evening. Covers were laid for eleven.

Rev. O. W. Carmichael, pastor of Neely's Creek church, in York county, held a meeting for the White Oak church last week end. His messages were most helpful.

Mrs. David Parks is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson.

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Parkinson have returned from an extended trip to points in middle and west Tennessee and South Carolina.

Miss Rena Wilson has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. David Parks.

GREENBRIER.

Mrs. J. D. Lyles has returned home from Winnsboro after spending two weeks with her sister Mrs. Gladden.

Mr. Walter Ruff, of Monticello, has been visiting in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gadsden were recent visitors in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Castles and family spent Sunday with Mr. W. R. Ashford and family.

Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Brooks, of Columbia, spent Sunday with Dr. Brook's mother, Mrs. J. P. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Lyles and Miss Helen Lyles spent Sunday in Monticello.

Misses Ione and Lois Smith spent Saturday night with Mrs. H. H. Castles.

Miss Helen Lyles is visiting in Monticello.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoke and Miss Daisy Brockington spent Saturday in Winnsboro.

Mr. T. W. Ruff, of Great Falls, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Estes.

Miss Erling Lyles is at home for the vacation.

Mrs. J. H. Oswald and family are visiting Mrs. Oswald's mother, Mrs. J. D. Lyles.

WOODWARD.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Keeley and children spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Johnston.

Miss Inez Harvey is visiting her grand-mother at Stover.

Miss Annabel Harvey, who has been teaching in the Albermarle Normal and Industrial school, is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Harvey.

Miss Lila Nicholson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Minus, in Spartanburg. Mr. and Mrs. Angus Nicholson and children, John and Eva, are visiting Mrs. A. R. Nicholson. Mr. Nicholson is principal of the school at Auburn and Mrs. Nicholson also teaches in the school.

Mrs. J. L. Brice, with her children, June and Lewis, are spending some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bishop in Beaufort.

Miss Ellen Stewart, of Chester, is visiting friends and relations here.

Mrs. Macie Brice and children and Mrs. T. W. Brice and children motored to Chester Friday evening to see Charlie Chaplin in The Kid.

Misses Sarah and Mary Jane Patrick and Thomas Patrick were visitors in Chester Monday.

Rev. Brown, from Charlotte, preached at Concord church Sunday afternoon.

The regular monthly meeting of Catherin Ladd Chapter U. D. C. was held with Miss Lila Nicholson the second Friday afternoon. As there was a great deal of business to attend to, the historical program was dispensed with. During the social hour the hostess, assisted by Mrs. A. W. Brice, served cream and cake.

LONGTOWN.

Mrs. W. B. Kenney and Miss Sarah Kennedy, of Ridgeway, visited Mrs. S. D. Harrison and other relatives in this section during the past week.

Miss Bessie Jones is at home from Ridgeway, where she has been spending a while with her sister, Mrs. D. W. Ruff, Jr.

Dr. Dobson, of Ridgeway, was in Longtown Sunday.

Miss Laura Matheson, who has been teaching in Saluda county, is at home now for the summer vacation.

Mr. D. G. Smith and Mr. William T. Stewart attended the reunion in Camden last week.

Miss Marie Jones, who is a member of the faculty of the Ridgeway high school, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Jones.

Miss Irene Stewart is spending some time in Winnsboro as the guest of her cousin, Miss Lillie Mae Weir.

Mrs. Essie McEachern, of Savannah, Ga., is visiting Mrs. John J. McEachern.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Stewart and children, of Ridgeway, attended the services at the Longtown Presbyterian church Sunday.

Miss Nancy Dawkins and little Miss Janell Bush are staying a while in Columbia with Mrs. Nannie Bush.

Mr. Joe Tidwell spent part of last week in Camden.

The many friends of Mr. John T. Stewart will be pleased to learn that he has recovered from his recent illness.

Mrs. W. E. Wilds has been on a visit to relatives in Chester.

Mr. W. C. Peay, of Rockton, was in this section recently.

Mr. McLeod, of Lee county was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. E. Smith Sunday.

Mr. James Harrison, of Columbia, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harrison.

Mrs. John C. Stewart has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Bankhead, in Columbia.

E. H. D.

WALLACEVILLE.

Summer has come with a rush and the weeds and grass seem to have been just waiting for a good chance to show what they could do.

Mrs. Vivian Jeter has returned from her school in Blaney where she has taught for the last three years.

Mr. Tom Glenn, who has been in the U. S. Navy for several months, is at home on a twelve days' leave.

Everybody voted for bonds for good roads, and if we don't get the good roads, I suspect there'll be quite a lot of "wanting to know the reason."

BRANNON—HUMPHRIES.

Miss Annie Brannon and Mr. C. E. Humphries, of Bellefield, were married at the Bellefield church Sunday, May 22, at 2 o'clock, by Judge A. W. Matheson of Longtown.

The church was beautifully decorated in yellow daisies and ferns.

The bride and groom came down the aisle to the strains of Lohengren's Wedding March.

The bride was married in her traveling suit of navy blue tricotine, with hat and accessories to match.

Both are very popular young people and we wish them much success and happiness in their journey through life.

A Friend.

RION.

Mr. John Humphries has returned to Winnsboro, after spending the week with his grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Gibson and little daughter, Catherine, spent the week-end with her grandmother, Mrs. Nicholson, who has been very ill.

Messrs Raymond Young and Edgar Timms spent Sunday with Mr. Max Young.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh and son, Albert McIntosh, and Miss Helen Mackin attended the B. Y. P. U. in Winnsboro Sunday afternoon.

Miss Marie Young and Mrs. Andrew Young have returned home after spending the week with relatives at Hickory Ridge.

NEWS FROM THE WINNSBORO MILLS

On last Sunday evening while attending worship at the hall, Mr. J. J. Robinson was seized with an attack of acute indigestion. He was taken to his home and a physician summoned. Dr. Lindsay administered treatment and he was soon feeling much better. He is out again at this writing.

Our village was saddened Monday morning about 9 o'clock to learn of the sudden death of Mr. J. H. Ball. Mr. Ball had been sick for about ten days, but it was thought he was improving. He was sitting up in a chair at his home when the end came suddenly. Heart failure was the cause.

Mr. Ball was laid to rest Tuesday morning in the Winnsboro cemetery. Rev. Geo. C. Gibson, assisted by Rev. Mr. Culp, of Kings Mountain, conducted the funeral services.

Mr. Ball was a member of the Baptist church, and also a member of the Oddfellows, Red Men and Pochontas Lodges. He was a faithful man in his home, the church and his lodges. He is survived by a wife and eight children, all of whom live in Georgia. To the bereaved family tenderest sympathy is extended.

The many friends in Winnsboro of Mrs. Julian Lipscomb will be glad to learn that she is slightly better, after an operation at the Columbia hospital.

Dr. McMeekin, of Winnsboro, and Rev. George C. Gibson made a business trip to Columbia Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. J. S. Braddock, who has been in Florida for several weeks, passed through our village Tuesday en route to Manning, S. C., where he will be located for a few weeks.

Miss Jessie McLendon, who has been in Camden for several weeks, returned to Winnsboro Monday.

Mr. Boyd Fisher, of the Service department of Lockwood, Greene & Co., Managers, spent the day with us Monday. We are always glad to have these splendid men with us.

Mr. Fisher motored to Columbia Monday afternoon, from there to be entertained for Edgefield.

Mr. F. L. Candee, service manager of Winnsboro Mills, accompanied Mr. Boyd Fisher Monday afternoon on his trip to the Edgefield Mills at Edgefield.

Mr. H. S. Redman, of the production department of Lockwood, Greene & Co., Managers, was with us last Thursday and Friday.

The Winnsboro Mills ball team suffered defeat on the local diamond last Saturday at the hands of the strong Columbia Mills team. The game was a struggle from start to finish. The final score was 7-3. We are making no alibis, still if there had not been a couple of cripples on the mill team the score might have been different. The team goes to Camden Saturday to play the crack team of the Hermitage Mills. A crowd of fans is planning to go over with the team.

We regret that in our haste last week we neglected to inform our readers of the high tribute and honor paid to our agent, Mr. Gordon A. Johnstone, by the Southern Textile Association. Mr. Johnstone was unanimously elected president of this great organization. There are over 2,000 of the leading cotton manufacturers and mill men of the South who are members of the organization. For the past three years Mr. Johnstone has been vice-president. For the past year he was also chairman of the programme committee. Mr. Johnstone's ability as a mill man is attested by his popularity with his host of associates and acquaintances in this wide field of business. We are proud of this distinction for Mr. Johnstone. Our amateur judgment is that he merited the honor.

The center of the stage of activity in our village this week is held by the revival meetings that are being held by the Methodist church. Each evening the Rev. Mr. Culp, of Kings Mountain, is delivering strong and searching messages. We believe that much good is being done. The Junior choir of the Baptist church,

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COMMENCEMENT AT MOUNT ZION

The commencement exercises for Mt. Zion Institute, session 1920-1921, will be held on the evening of June 2 and 3—Thursday and Friday—at 8:30 o'clock. On Thursday evening the class-day, and on Friday evening the graduating exercises will be held. The authorities of the Community House have given us permission to use their building—another evidence of the great service the promoters of that enterprise rendered the town of Winnsboro.

The graduating class consists this year of four young men and eight young women: Joe Elliott, Bob Jennings, Jack Lemmon, Cornwell Jennings; Rebekah Macfie, Jessie Douglass, Margaret Ketchin, Frances Neil, Lizzie Clarke, Katharine Turner, Merrill Turner and Louise Hamilton. The public is cordially invited to be present at the exercises that mark the close of the graded school life of these young people. Merely to stay in school eleven years is in itself no little attainment. Those who stick to the end, are in a very genuine sense, the elect of the young people of any community. It is not too much to say that from these twelve young men and young women will come most of the leaders of their generation in this community. I say "from", you will observe, for there will be a further "weeding out" in the years to come. The process will continue until, finally, out of the fire of time will come the exceeding fine gold freed from all dross.

G. F. Patton, Supt.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT BULLETIN.

It is the wish of the President that visitors to the seat of Government shall have every opportunity to get full information concerning all governmental departments. It is especially his desire that all those who come to Washington to transact business with any department or bureau of the Government may quickly be advised as to the exact location and means of reaching the particular department or bureau in which may be centered the business which they desire to transact.

For this purpose there has been established a Bureau of Information on the ground floor of the Post Office Department Building, located on Pennsylvania Avenue at Twelfth Street, which is in charge of competent people who will definitely answer queries of this character.

The public is advised of this arrangement and invited to make use of the facility.

Will H. Hays, Postmaster General.

THE METHODISTS TO RAISE \$323,000,000.

Sunday, May the 29th, is one of great epoch making days of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Every Methodist is urged to be in his place of worship Sunday morning at 11 o'clock to do his part in the Christian Education movement. This is the most vital and constructive work that has challenged the Methodist Church in the past 25 years. Let every Winnsboro Methodist be present Sunday morning and the Methodists of Greenbrier Sunday afternoon at 3:30.

Jno. D. Holler, Pastor.

HICKORY RIDGE.

Miss Margaret Young, who has been teaching school at Greycourt, is at home for the summer.

We are glad to know that Mr. Robert Dove, who has been very ill, is some better.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Young motored to Columbia Thursday on business.

Misses Eula Brice and Pauline Roberts, Mr. A. W. and George Park spent Sunday in Columbia.

Miss Eulalie Timms is at home from her school in St. Matthews.

E. U. Brice spent Sunday in this community.

Mrs. J. D. Park was called home Monday to her brother, John C. Wilson, of White Oak, who had his leg broken by the kick of a horse.

REPRINT OF THE HISTORY OF THE MOUNT ZION SOCIETY

Inquiries have been made and requests have been made from time to time for the history of the Mt. Zion Society, so through the courtesy of Mrs. T. H. Ketchin we are reprinting articles about the society written by Mr. S. D. Dunn and Dr. Jas. H. Carlisle which were published in 1907.

For more than a century Winnsboro has enjoyed the distinction of being a community devoted to education and culture. This has been due, doubtless, to the fortunate circumstances that cultivated families of low countrymen made their homes here early among a most vigorous and intelligent settlement of up-countrymen. The blending of these people—the one having a love for education and refinement, and the other a passion for civil and religious liberty—formed an ideal community for the promotion of knowledge and instruction in those truths which elevate the mind and purify the heart of man.

Thus as might be expected, we find in the earliest history of the community the establishment of a school in a log school house—the origin of Mount Zion College. This was ten years before the Revolution, and it was about the time the village acquired its name from the circumstance that John and Richard Winn, who had moved from Virginia, had gotten possession of the lands where Winnsboro now stands.

Plans for the enlargement of the school soon developed. In 1777 an application was made to the general assembly for a charter for the Mount Zion society by John Winn, Robert Ellison, Thomas Woodward, Richard and William Strother, Joseph Kirkland, John Milling and John Kennedy, of Fairfield, Thomas Taylor of Richmond and Francis Adams, Robert Buchanan and David Milling, of Charleston. The charter was granted on the 13th day of February, 1777, "for the purpose of founding, endowing and supporting a public school in the district of Camden." In the preamble to the rules of the Mount Zion society appears the following appeal: "When we cast our eyes around and behold a rising generation, the greatest part whereof must live in ignorance on account of there being no place of instruction near them where they can be properly educated, becoming thereby useless to their country, to society and themselves, we cannot help being sensible to these tender feelings which the Divine Being hath impressed on our natures, as a spur to prompt us to lend a helping hand." "Our country calls, nay, the voice of reason cries aloud to us to promote knowledge as the firmest cement of a State."

The school was broken up when Cornwall's occupied Winnsboro in 1780-81. But in 1784 it was reopened and in 1785 a charter was obtained for a college.

There is nothing especially noteworthy in the history of the school until 1834, when Mr. J. W. Hudson became principal. Mr. Hudson was a great teacher and disciplinarian whose powerful personality dominated not only the school, but the community, for a quarter of a century. Under his administration, which continued until 1858 the school became famous, acquiring a reputation co-extensive with the limits of the Southern states. It was the ambition of favored young men to avail themselves of the superior advantages of Mount Zion as a training school for higher institutions of learning, especially for the South Carolina college.

Of the many bright young men who, as assistants to Mr. Hudson, contributed to the fame of Mt. Zion, and afterwards adorned, reflected honor on the school may be mentioned: William Bratton, Thomas McCants, D. Wyatt Aiken, George H. McMaster, James H. Rion, J. Wood Davidson, Ellison Capers.

For 20 years longer the school was conducted as a male academy. During this period of stress, trial and disaster the exercises of the school were never allowed to cease. When the building was occupied by Federal soldiers and afterwards when it was

burned to the ground the school was conducted in the Baptist church, the Thespian hall, in out-buildings, wherever a shelter could be found. The teachers who chiefly administered the school, maintained its reputation and left their impress upon the community during this period were: Gen. Alston, J. P. McCarthy, Mr. Muller, Maj. Leland, Mr. McCandless, Windfield S. Rivers, T. J. Wells, Victor E. Menget, G. A. Woodward, W. W. Farrow, Capt. Moultrie M. Dwight.

In 1878, to meet the conditions of the times, a public graded school was established—the first in the State outside of Charleston—under the able management of Mr. R. Means Davis. This undertaking proved to be a most gratifying success, the system met the needs of the community, and, under the inspiration of this master teacher, the school rivalled in merit its earlier distinction.

In 1885 just 100 years from the granting of the original charter, it was determined if possible, to revive the collegiate feature of the school, and in connection with the graded school instruction to furnish to the youth of the community the opportunity of obtaining a complete, practical, high-school education at home. A joint meeting of the Mount Zion society and the citizens of the town was held, at which it was determined to issue bonds of the town for the purpose of erecting such additional buildings as were needed. This was done and the session of 1886 was opened in a large and well arranged brick building, furnished with improved seats, desks, physical and chemical laboratories, and all necessary appliances. It was at this time that Prof. W. H. Witherow became president. For 16 years, until the time of his death, guided by this ripe scholar and distinguished teacher, the school continued to flourish and grow in usefulness.

At present the school is conducted by Mr. J. H. Thornwell, Jr., who for three years was assistant to Mr. L. T. Barker, former principal of Mount Zion now a professor of pedagogics in the University of South Carolina. Mr. Thornwell who is a grandson of the distinguished theologian and teacher, Dr. Jas. H. Thornwell, is a young man of high character and attainments and is succeeding admirably as a teacher and disciplinarian. Under the management of this energetic young man, assisted by an able and cultured corps of teachers, the school is making excellent progress.

The very traditions of Mount Zion are an incentive to pupils to strive to excel in scholarship and honorable conduct. During and after Mr. Hudson's time, students trained here have stood remarkably well in the higher institutions of learning they have attended. Prof. Wm. P. DuBose, of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., says in "Recollections of Mount Zion," that he was a pupil of Mr. Hudson from about 1845 to 1851, and that after leaving at the age of 15 for the Citadel academy, he did not touch Latin or Greek for five years—not till at the age of 20 he entered the University of Virginia and that to his surprise he had found he had lost nothing he had ever known and had been taught much more than he had thought of these languages. He further interestingly says: "I am grateful for what Latin, Greek and mathematics I really learned and the way I learned them at Mount Zion—not merely for what knowledge I have had or what use I have made of them, but for the permanent effect of their acquisition upon the texture and composition of my mind and character."

When Mr. R. Means Davis was principal of Mount Zion, 1877-1882, many of his pupils were so successful in winning scholarships that the Hon. Hugh S. Thompson, then state superintendent of education remarked jokingly that it was no use for him to hold competitive examinations

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